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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to Proceeding 04-435 In the Matter of Amendment of Part 22 of the Commission's Rules to Benefit the Consumers of Air-Ground Telecommunications Services.

I am a member of the Association of Flight Attendants and a flight attendant with Alaska Airlines. I am strongly opposed to the proposal that would enable passengers to use their cellular phones during flight for the following reasons:

- There is no hard evidence that cell phone use doesn't interfere with navigational instruments.
- Cell phone use would enable terrorists to coordinate a plan of action more effectively.
- The NPRM would leave it up to flight attendants to police the use of cell phones onboard the aircraft compromising our ability to maintain a safe, secure cabin environment and to conduct emergency evacuations.
- It would make an already tense cabin environment even more stressful.

If there were a time on an aircraft that safety was compromised and cellular phones would help relay information to the ground, then that would have to be considered. (I don't think the crew of the plane that went down in Pennsylvania on 9/11/01 was concerned about navigational interference. I'm sure that considering the circumstances, everyone would have used their phones and infact many did.)

Everything possible needs to be done to help keep crew members and passengers safe. If there is the slightest possibility that a cellular phone could interfere with navigational instruments then the phones cannot be allowed.

Sincerely,  
SaraBeth Levesh